

## PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT CARDS

### SCOPING COMMENTS





# BAY AREA TO CENTRAL VALLEY HIGH-SPEED TRAIN PROGRAM EIR/EIS

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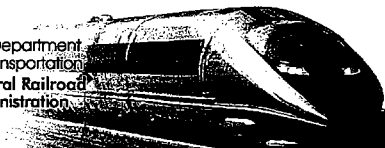
Meeting Date: 12/01/05 Meeting Location: San Francisco

### COMMENTS:

Provide stations with civic interests for passengers,  
~~specific~~ specifically, make stations a "place" to be in  
the areas proposed



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②

**COMMENTS:** Will air travel business be affected?  
Will HSR replace San Joaquin train (Amtrak)?  
Some people may still want not-so-fast train service.  
Also need to take care of those prefer to enjoy the view, time may not be a concern.  
Station location is extremely important.  
Located in downtown, or visitor spots where most visitors would go, or close to hotels.  
Lastly, need to educate people the advantages of riding HSR.



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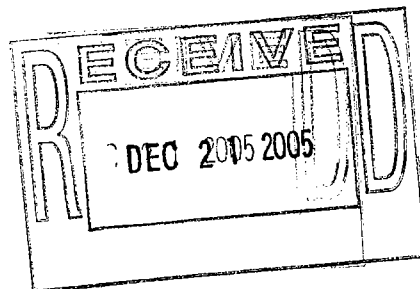
Meeting Date: 11/29 and 11/30 Meeting Location: Oakland and San Jose

### COMMENTS:

~~Reinvestment~~, rebuild and build our passengers' rail is a great idea. We need stronger political will and determination to accomplish it.

If the objective of High Speed Rail is providing transportation choice, reducing congestion, preventing urban sprawl, protecting natural resource and prime agricultural land, and I strongly oppose the Pacheco Pass Corridor or the route North of the State Park / or South of Wilroy between the Bay Area and the Central Valley. It does nothing but promoting urban sprawl!

I'd like the Authority to study in detail how we can maximize the Altamont Pass - making more hands for the bucks!!



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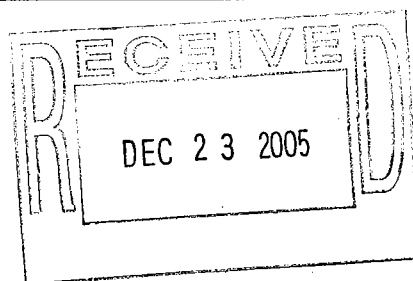
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Meeting Date: 12-5-05 Meeting Location: LIVERMORE  
LIBRARY

**COMMENTS:** How can we build a high speed train system from Sacramento to San Diego, when we can't even get Bart to Livermore? Livermore residents have been paying taxes for years & no Bart. Tell me why I should support this plan? Sound good, but will it even be possible? Lots of question, do you have the answers? Let me know.



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Meeting Date: Nov 29 3:05 Meeting Location: BART

Bay

North Center

### COMMENTS:

First Freight Only  
Oakland to Tracy/Stockton  
Hi-Speed, Non-stop, Container Unit Trains

Second ... via BART from North Concord  
BART Station to Vacaville  
and later to Sacramento  
to unload I80 Highway



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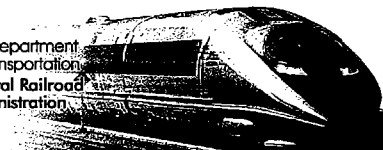
Meeting Date: 11/30 Meeting Location: SAN JOSE

### COMMENTS:

My family co-owns the Isabel Valley Ranch, which would be substantially impacted by the proposed Diablo crossing. The Isabel Valley is pristine wilderness with abundant wildlife including many endangered/protected species - bald eagles, mountain lions, tule elk, antelope, etc. There are also ancient native american campsites/villages. There are many underground aquifers on the property. A high speed rail line through the Isabel Valley would be an environmental abomination, and would ruin the natural state of this wilderness. From wildlife, visual, noise, cultural and other environmental resources -- all would suffer huge impacts which would be very difficult if not impossible to mitigate. We urge adoption of a Pacheco Pass alignment.



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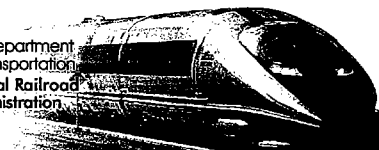
### COMMENTS:

~~First~~ An altamont pass alignment seems like it would be the preferable route for a number of reasons. First, it allows existing central valley communities to take part in the High Speed Rail project. These communities would provide the High Speed rail with a solid base of riders who would use the high speed rail as a commuting option. This would provide a solid Annual revenue stream. The valley is the fastest growing part of the state of California and growing communities like Mountain House, Tracy, Stockton, Manteca, & Modesto need to be adequately connected to employment centers in the bay area.

The Altamont Pass route should also allow seamless connection with BART, leveraging the existing rail systems.



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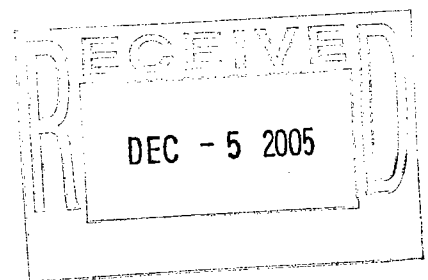
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### COMMENTS:

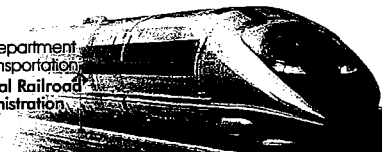
- ① IN VOL ① ON PG 9-11 FORTH CITY OF OAKLAND CA, & THE CAPITAL CORRIDOR THE WORD CAPITAL IS MISPELLED IT SHOULD BE CAPITAL DER. W. SKORPOWSKI & W. O'HARE DATE of JULY 2001
- ② PLEASE SEE FOR YOUR SELF ON PG 13-2 FORTH CORRIDOR WORKING OF THE WORD CAPITAL CORRIDOR
- ③ OTHER THAN THE ABOVE CORRIDOR ALL LOOKS OK & GOOD.

P.S. I AM LISTED UNDER 1093 ON PG 6-223

*[Signature]*



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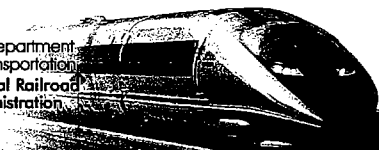
Meeting Date: 12/1/5 Meeting Location: SF

### COMMENTS:

I THINK THE PRIMARY FUNCTION OF TRUNK HIGH SPEED RAIL SERVICE SHOULD BE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN REGIONS, NOT (PRIMARYLY) WITHIN REGIONS. THIS IS BEST SERVED BY DIRECTLY CONNECTING THE PRIMARY CENTERS - SF, SJ, LA, SD. IN MY UNDERSTANDING, THE NORTHERN ROUTES FROM THE CENTRAL VALLEY TO THE INNER BAY AREA WOULD MAKE THE SAN JOSE CONNECTION INTO A ~~SPUR~~ SPUR LINE IN ORDER TO SERVE SEVERAL SUBURBAN COMMUNITIES WHICH ARE ALREADY SERVED BY ACE COMMUTER RAIL. I BELIEVE THIS WOULD BE A MISTAKE, AND THAT A SOUTHERN CONNECTION SHOULD BE USED WHICH WOULD CONNECT DIRECTLY THROUGH SAN JOSE. ANY ENVIRONMENTAL COSTS TO THE SOUTHERN ROUTE SHOULD BE OUTWEIGHED BY THE CREATION OF A MORE SUCCESSFUL RAIL SYSTEM.



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**COMMENTS:** THIS IS GREAT, ABOUT TIME. HOW CAN I HELP  
MAKE THIS HAPPEN?

FOR CONNECTIONS BETWEEN BAY AREA AND CENTRAL VALLEY - I  
SUGGEST EITHER ① ALTAMONT OR ② NORTHERN TUNNEL. THESE ARE  
THE BEST FOR COMMUTERS TO/FROM EITHER AREA.

WOULD AMTRAK SAN JOAQUIN STOP SERVICE?



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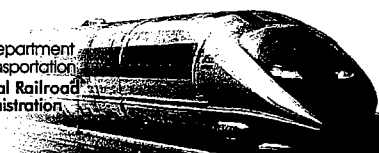
### COMMENTS:

You need a fourth alternative. Instead of all-or-nothing \$37 billion HSR, consider incremental upgrades of existing rail network and ~~strategic~~ strategic links, like Bakersfield - LA new line.

LA - Bakersfield should not route via Mojave/Palmdale.



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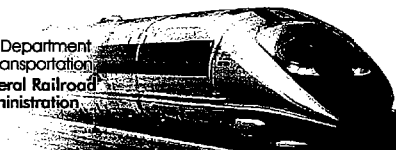
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### COMMENTS:

High Speed Rail won't (and shouldn't) serve areas such as the Sacramento Valley (Redding to Sacto), the North Coast, or the Central Coast. There needs to be a statewide passenger rail system that serves these areas, as well as acting as a feeder system for the High Speed Rail System. This can start with existing rail rights of way, then upgrade grade - separate and build parallel rights of way to bypass congestion points on private rail lines



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### COMMENTS:

① The sooner, the better! ② Restrict or eliminate the Feds both as partners in planning as well as a funding source as this will create more red tape and delays. It will also put them (Feds) in a position of power as they are now in AMTRAK which they would like to do away with as soon as possible. I would much rather have this a California only project or perhaps bring states of Nevada and Oregon in as limited partners (especially Nevada) in the High Speed Rail portion. Las Vegas has millions and loves our California wallets. ③ Please don't ignore new technologies! ④ Create separate publicly owned rail corridor for the High Speed Rail Service. ⑤ Use "livable cities" concept (Ahwanhee Principles) for planning with cities, counties, and regions as far as where the rail corridor should go and pedestrian stations should be placed. ⑥ Altamont corridor would be least fought, best placed, least cost scenario for San Joaquin ingress to Bay Area. ⑦ If we are talking 50 years out Washington State should be invited into planning for future expansion for West Coast States Corridor.



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11/29/05

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MTC - Oakland

Citizens Advisory Committee

### COMMENTS:

Immense profits will be generated by appreciation of land values around HSR stations due to vastly improved accessibility of heretofore isolated parcels of land. California's HSR should not be yet another case of taxpayers financing public infrastructure that enriches real estate speculators.

Rather, ~~it~~ to defray the enormous capital cost of the stations, if not the mainline, assessment districts should be established around each station to finance the cost of that facility ~~and~~ as well as adjacent mixed-use development.

In this way, the joint development concept can be harnessed to recoup for the public at least some of the economic benefits from their investment.



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COMMENTS: WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL, WE SUPPORT THE PACHECO PASS ALIGNMENT TO THE BAY AREA. WE ALSO SUPPORT SHARED USE OF THE CALTRANS CORRIDOR. WE ARE A MEMBER OF THE SILICON VALLEY HIGH SPEED RAIL COALITION.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE ALIGNMENT BETWEEN SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA AND LOS ANGELES AREA PROVIDE A MINIMUM TRAVEL TIME FOR EMPLOYEES UTILIZING THIS MAJOR MODE. THIS MAJOR CORRIDOR IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE SUCCESS OF HSR.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF A REDWOOD CITY STATION. WE WILL CONTINUE TO BE ACTIVE IN THE ONGOING STUDIES OF HSR AND THE ALIGNMENT TO THE BAY AREA.

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## Screening and Evaluating Rail Ideas

Below are some evaluation criteria that likely will be used to assess proposed rail networks.

**Which evaluation criteria are the most important to you? Please circle your three most important criteria.**

Maximize ridership/revenue potential

Maximize rail transit connections and accessibility

Maximize service to and promotion of transit-oriented development

Allow for incremental implementation

~~Minimize operating and capital costs~~

Minimize impacts to freight service

Minimize impacts to low-income/minority areas

Minimize impacts to natural resources

**Are important criteria missing from this list? Please suggest additional criteria you believe should be considered.**

Rail travel times must compete with the car. Caltrain Baby Bullets do that! Capitol Corridor trains from SJ to Sacto take far too long due to conflicts with Union Pacific freight trains & needed rail upgrades.

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## High-Speed Train Program

The California High-Speed Rail Authority, in partnership with the Federal Railroad Administration, is preparing a Program Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) to identify a preferred high-speed train alignment and station locations between the Bay Area and the Central Valley. Please tell us any issues, concerns or questions you believe should be addressed in this "Bay Area to Central Valley High-Speed Train Program EIR/EIS."

SJ needs to be a stop "on the main line" ~~not a~~

The Pacheco Pass alignment makes more sense than the Mt. Hamilton Range alignment as the Pacheco Pass alignment will also help serve Monterey Co + San Benito Counties as well as Southern Santa Clara Co.

The Altamont Pass route needs to be upgraded to better serve commuter rail to Pleasanton BART, SJ & Oakland (not HSR)

REGIONAL RAIL  
next stop....the future!

November/December 2005

## Regional Rail Plan Comment Folder

Your comments are important to us! Please visit each station to learn more about the Bay Area Regional Rail Plan. Use this booklet to write down your vision for rail service in the Bay Area. Help us brainstorm about possible rail extensions of existing service and new rail routes, and give us your thoughts on how to evaluate the different rail ideas. **Please return this folder to the Welcome Station at the end of today's meeting!**

1

### Welcome!

Welcome to today's meeting on the Bay Area Regional Rail Plan. Please make sure you **sign in** so we can keep you updated on the progress of the study over the next 18 months. **Please take this comment folder and visit the stations around the room before the presentation and group discussion.**

2

### Laying the Tracks for Bay Area Regional Rail

The station describes the project's purpose and timeline. Please share your comments, issues or questions about the planning process. **Please let us know of organizations or individuals you want to make sure are invited to future meetings about the Regional Rail Plan.**

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### Land Use-Transportation Links

**A. Planning for Future Growth.** Congestion is a problem that is expected to grow as the region adds people and jobs. This station outlines a regional plan for managing that growth in such a way that links land use and transit — making it easier to get around while preserving the beauty and quality of life in the region. New transit-oriented developments include a mix of land uses such as housing, retail and services that are located around rail stations or key bus stops.

**Do you feel transit-oriented developments make sense for the Bay Area?** ☒ Yes ☐ No **For your community?** ☒ Yes ☐ No **For yourself?** ☒ Yes ☐ No **Please explain.**

SE has created a transit oriented community at 4th + Townsend. With the new apt, there now is a Safeway, Borders Books, restaurants, & light rail/bus/train connection. It serves residents & commuters.

**B. A Rail Primer.** This station shows the Bay Area's vision for transit expansion, as well as planned rail projects in neighboring counties. Information on freight and ports describes the interactions between passenger and freight rail systems. Not all trains are the same, and rail car technologies also are explained.



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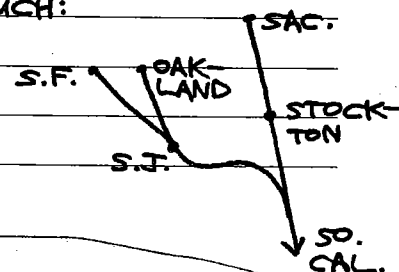
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MY PRIMARY CONCERN IS THAT TRANSIT STATIONS FOR H.S.R. BE SITED WITHIN EXISTING CITY CENTERS. THEY SHOULD NOT BE USED TO SPUR SUBURBAN GROWTH POSING AS T.O.D. PER ROUTING. I WOULD PREFER A LINE THAT OPERATES AS SUCH:



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I ENJOY LIVING IN AND ACCESSING COMMUNITIES/NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE EASILY ACCESSIBLE BY BUS, TRAIN, BIKE, AND FOOT.

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*See Travel time vs auto, to relieve freeway congestion by drawing people away from always driving*

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*I believe Altamont Pass is the best gateway to the Central Valley for HSR, with branches to San Jose and to San Francisco*

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*Also-current TOD seems focused on housing near transit nodes; we also need to get office development to locate near transit, and locate the buildings themselves within walking distance of transit - unlike development along VTA light rail in Golden Triangle which is along the line but parked too far away behind endless parking spaces.*

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Minimize travel times and headway between trains

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How many faults will the system need to cross in order to achieve this goal?

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I only want to use my car for road trip/vacations, not everyday travel.

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Use proven technology, steel rail/wheel,  
No pie-in-the-sky monorails or maglev

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Make sure Altamont alternatives get fair consideration. Also consider incremental upgrades as an alternative to spending \$37 Billion.

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Sprawl is bad and traffic congestion is intolerable. Increasing housing density and improving transit would help

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must be interconnectivity

create multimodal opportunities

Combining ① and ⑤

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Capital Corridor / Union Pacific existing line (also)  
Thru SJ airport — not BART to SJ  
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less reliance on auto dependence and create opportunities  
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Cost to customers  
Cost to tax payers - put it on  
a gasoline tax  
Do not go over Mt Hamilton!

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Hurry it up! Use existing right of ways!

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Sierra Club  
Nature Conservancy

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I've always believed in public transit.  
Recently I've chosen not to replace my 20  
year old car. Luckily I live in downtown SF.  
I am very interested in Regional Rail.

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Remove transfers make transit competitive with the cars.

Standard gauge trains should be used for all new rail projects. This would allow existing technology developed by others to be used to improve the Bay Area rail systems.

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People are tired of commuting. In Mountain View, "the Crossings" housing development is very popular.

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The alignment chosen ought to incorporate the fast growing areas of the central valley like Mountain House, Tracy, Manteca, & similar communities. Failing to incorporate these communities will miss out on a significant opportunity with these communities.

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Transit-oriented communities are a beautiful idea on paper, but in practice, people sprawl. My grandparents "sprawled" to Menlo Park, my parents to Walnut Creek, and my generation to places like Brentwood. People will take rail. But we need to respond to people as they are, not how we might like them to be.

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This involves providing stations with abundant parking to allow people to drive to the station and use the



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I CARPOOL 62 MI EACH WAY FROM ORLANDO - S.J. CURRENT TRANSIT OPTIONS DOUBLE THE TIME IT TAKES TO DRIVE EVEN IN CONGESTED TRAFFIC (BART, VTA, CO. CONNECT, CAR, BART, VTA - OR ACE)

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Access to transit hubs

Access to leader transportation systems

How are systems' governance integrated?

Who will have ultimate authority?

Are routes near seismic activity?

How will initial & later maintenance funding be achieved? Is funding sustainable?

HST should have a capability.

Integrated ticketing.

Can you line trucks w/ solar panels to aid in power structure?

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Need state transportation policy.

Need state land use policy.

Need state water policy.

Need state environ. "

all of these will help in future planning.

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There should be exceptions allowed due to environmental or other reasons.

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Please consider fairness regarding land use/purchasing for right of way. I wouldn't want to see only low income communities moved/displaced. The effects on communities of concern should not be greater than communities of middle to high income.

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lessens work/life concerns

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None - The HSR is hopelessly cost ineffective + cannot be built. Projected costs are already \$40 billion and should be multiplied by 2 to 3 to realistically be built. It will never happen + should be abandoned.

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Invite professors from the Institute of Transportation Studies Berkeley U.C. Berkeley. Educate the public to show that most rail systems are hopelessly cost ineffective and have no significant effect on traffic of % of people carried.

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Most trips from high density "transit villages" are still by car, resulting in more traffic around the village. Transit is only used to go where people cannot park. This should be explained to public

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or, nullify  
the impact  
freight has on passenger service

Minimize

- 1) consider CO<sub>2</sub> offset credits (see terrapass.com) rather than buying expensive machinery that emit no pollution.
- 2) need to discourage ~~usage~~ car usage via reduced road maintenance and construction, thereby getting more people to use rail instead.

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consider, if cheap, a source of ~~the~~ energy that is not so dependent on oil.

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- THESE MUST BE SEPARATE RIGHTS OF WAY.*

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*LONG-TERM  
SOUNDS HOKEY BUT IN ORDER TO GET FUNDING SUPPORT FROM THE VOTERS, YOU HAVE TO HAVE GREAT MARKETING. UNFORTUNATELY, THE ONLY LONG DISTANCE RAIL MOST PEOPLE HAVE RIDDEN IS AMTRAK. NOW TRAINS & CAPITO LS MAY BE ON TIME MOST OF THE TIME BUT MOST LONG DISTANCE RAIL IS NOTORIOUSLY LATE. YOU'LL HAVE TO OVERCOME THAT BY GOOD MARKETING WHICH WILL HAVE TO INCLUDE REAL SYSTEMS IN PLACE; BOSTON TO NEW YORK? FRANCE, JAPAN, OTHER?*

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*I WANT THIS TO HAPPEN IN THE WORST WAY.  
THE ROUTE FROM THE BAY AREA TO JOIN THE HST FROM SACRAMENTO SHOULD DISTURB THE LEAST AMOUNT OF OPEN SPACE & ~~MAINTAIN~~  
STOPS AT AN OPTIMUM NUMBER OF COMMUNITIES TO ENHANCE RIDERSHIP BUT NOT DEGRADATE THE TRIP UNUSUALLY.*

GOOD LUCK

WITH THIS.

*John Landrum  
FREMONT*

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*I HAVE OBSERVED THAT PEOPLE NEED TO STOP, E.G., BEFORE THEY GET TO THEIR CARS WHEN THEY EXIT A DART STATION. X  
NEW: I'M RETIRED SO I DON'T RIDE A LOT BUT I WELCOME ALL THESE PROPOSALS.*

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*X YOU SHOULD SHOW SOME PICS OF JAPANESE RAIL STATIONS. THERE'S TAD*





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per  
passenger

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- Improve feeder service to rail stations  
bus to reduce reliance on cars

- Coordinate land use potential/impacts with local governments  
& evaluate

- Perform cost/benefit analyses of alternatives to maximize cost efficiency (also compare w/ bus)

- Minimize duplication & competition between rail agencies.

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- Noise
- Traffic/Parking
- Environmental Justice Issues (bisecting developed urban areas)
- Visual Impacts (if raised platforms proposed through urban areas)
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Maximize Speed (Express vs. Local)

Keep with existing world standards (track gauge, weight, etc.)

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for all agencies (not just HSR):  
mult. services

connections

fear of getting stranded

24/7 bus bridges, like other cities have

more ppl would ride

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Create intermodal opportunity

Combining ~~1~~ ① and ⑥

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and Union Pacific existing alignment  
(through San Jose airport —

NOT the proposed BART-SJ  
alignment

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YES

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where is electricity to come from?  
Guarantee of cost / ridership levels  
where are operating subsidizing coming from?  
Inter connectivity w/ all existing systems,  
including highway.

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Too many transit agencies Too much money on things other than moving people.

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Please see my comments under point 4. Thanks for ~~the~~ reading.

Kent Lewandowski

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Thank you Ashley!

There is a Bay Area Transportation Discussion group / listserv that would be interested. Contact me if you need the address:

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I think it's wrong that freight trains get priority over passenger trains.



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Jobs Creation / Smart Development

Redundancies For Evacuation of High-density Areas

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Connect Stockton

Identify Tunneling Cost Savings as more Tunneling can occur in Region/Northern Calif.

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• San Joaquin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

• Port of Stockton

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• Need City/Regional Land Use policy to promote higher densities as well as tax advantages

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\* Why minimize? Don't you want to provide service? There is still too much money spent on long distance commuters while service in the cities is cut. At the same time the cities are forced to take higher density in neighborhoods under the guise of being "transit oriented" neighborhoods.

1. It's difficult to minimize damage to habitat and the environment. e.g. BART tracks went thru prime habitat area for the SF garter snake & killed a few. Now that it's built it's not generating the expected ridership and it's caused essential bus service to be cut for workers at the airport. BART is also more expensive for tickets. It was a tremendous

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- 1) It will increase the distance commuters are willing to travel.
- 2) You can't charge enough per ticket to make the system pay for itself.

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Caroline Kim

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1) <sup>fosters</sup> greater urban sprawl while transit is cut. It's a subsidy to developers where land is cheaper. CCo. become much worse after BART was built.

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Not the way they are being built now. They have become an excuse for developers. It's not smart growth to allow and encourage such rapid growth of population in current & former rural, food producing areas.

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*The importance of serving the large <sup>existing</sup> population concentrations in the Dublin/Pleasanton/Livermore areas. For this, among other reasons, I believe the system would be far more viable using Bay Area access via some version of the Altamont alignment.*

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H-Speed rail would be cost effective nor would  
it be in the best interests of state development.  
It would promote sprawl. It cannot be compared  
to Air Travel in the SF/LA/SD corridor as this  
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- Maximize aesthetic treatment of infrastructure in urban and downtown areas.

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*Most important need is a high speed track from Bakersfield to Los Angeles.*

*I am opposed to any change that will increase traffic at grade crossings.*

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